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PROCESSING SYSTEM, SUCH AS FOR  
ELECTRIC, GAS, AND WATER UTILITY DATA

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### RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

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In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed August 28, 2006, Applicant respectfully submits a Declaration and Part 2 Copy of Notice.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0665, under Order No. 101458012US1. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 03/03/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 03/03/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 03/03/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 03/03/2006
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- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 03/03/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 03/03/2006

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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